

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA
CENTRAL DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	CRIMINAL NO.
)	
Plaintiff,)	<u>FILE UNDER SEAL - EX PARTE</u>
)	
vs.)	
)	DEFENDANT’S REQUEST FOR
,)	ADVANCE AUTHORIZATION TO
)	OBTAIN EXPERT SERVICES
Defendant.)	

Defendant, through counsel, requests advance authorization pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(e)(1)(A) to obtain expert services in the amount that exceeds \$800. In support of this request, Defendant states as follows:

1. Defendant requests permission to retain the services of [name and address of investigator, expert, or other service provider], who will provide [e.g., investigative, accounting, chemical analysis, psychiatric] services in this case.
2. [Explain what it is about this case that makes these services necessary or helpful. Give a specific description of what you expect the expert, investigator, or other service provider to do to help you prepare your case, stating how much time you expect the service provider to spend completing each assigned task. Also, describe in detail what you hope to accomplish by retaining these services, giving a precise description of the nature of the evidence and/or testimony you hope to develop as a result of the requested expenditure.]
3. [State why you cannot perform these services without retaining an expert, investigator, or other service provider (bearing in mind that experts should not be retained to perform the duties of an attorney or paralegal, such as reviewing discovery, organizing documents, reviewing transcripts, or acting as a liaison with the client).]
4. [Provide the hourly rate (or other basis the expert uses to determine the fee), in addition to the estimated amount of time involved and estimated total expense for this expert. Describe your efforts to obtain the services of the expert, investigator, or other service provider at a lower cost. Also, if the expert, investigator, or other service provider is not from the community where court will be held, describe

your efforts to obtain the services locally.]

5. In this case, \$[amount A] has already been spent on experts, investigators and other service providers. The estimated additional cost for the requested services is \$[amount B]. Together, then, the total already spent on experts, investigators, and other service providers, along with the estimated amount in this request is \$[amount A+amount B].

Defendant respectfully requests that the court approve this request for advance authorization to obtain expert services.